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# FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

## AUSTRALIA.

### Sydney—Examination of Rats.

The following statement was taken from bulletins issued by the department of public health of New South Wales: During the four weeks ended October 12, 1912, there were examined at Sydney for plague infection 1,256 rats. No plague-infected rat was found.

The last case of human plague was notified May 29, 1909.

The last plague-infected rat was found April 25, 1910.

## ITALY.

### Cholera in Sardinia.

From October 11 to 13, 1912, there were reported at Cagliari, island of Sardinia, 3 cases of cholera.

### Typhus Fever.

At Catania 1 case of typhus fever with 1 death was reported during the week ended October 12, and at Palermo during the two weeks ended October 19 there were reported 12 cases with 7 deaths.

### Examination of Emigrants.

Passed Asst. Surg. Robinson, at Naples, reports:

*Vessels inspected at Naples, Messina, and Palermo week ended Oct. 26.*

#### NAPLES.

Date.	Name of ship.	Destination.	Steerage passengers inspected and passed.	Pieces of baggage inspected and passed.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Oct. 22	Canopic.....	Boston.....	828	190	1,060
23	Pannonia.....	New York.....			
23	Moltke.....	do.....	853	180	950
25	Berlin.....	do.....	1,387	290	1,850
26	Canada.....	do.....	756	175	1,100
	Total.....		3,824	853	4,960

#### MESSINA.

Oct. 21	Pannonia.....	New York.....			
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#### PALERMO.

Oct. 21	Athinai.....	New York.....			
22	Pannonia.....	do.....			
23	Laura.....	do.....			
26	Berlin.....	do.....	682	600	600
	Total.....		682	600	600